- 11. (AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the oxidizable source of sulphur is chosen from the group consisting of one or more of  $SO_3^{2-}$ ,  $SO_2(g)$ , aqueous  $SO_2$ ,  $HSO_3^{-}$ ,  $S_2O_3^{2-}$  and  $S_4O_6^{2-}$ .
- 13. (AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the inorganic species is chosen from the group consisting of one or more of arsenic manganese, cerium, and iron.
- 16. (AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the oxygen is supplied to the solution at a partial pressure of about 0.2 atmospheres.